

**PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF SOUTH CAROLINA****CLERK'S OFFICE****NOTICE OF FILING****DOCKET NO. 2019-191-G****Petition of Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc. for Approval of and Authorization to Implement New Depreciation Rates**

Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc. ("Piedmont" or the "Company") filed a Petition requesting approval of new depreciation rates and authorization to implement such rates effective November 1, 2019, with the Public Service Commission of South Carolina ("PSCSC" or the "Commission"). A Depreciation Rate Study at September 30, 2018 (2018 Depreciation Rate Study), was filed as Attachment A of the Petition. The Petition states that the 2018 Depreciation Rate Study recommended certain updates and changes to Piedmont's existing depreciation rates. The Company requests that the Commission authorize Piedmont to implement new depreciation rates to amortize the costs of assets, net of salvage value, over the estimated useful life of the assets and reallocate book reserves as recommended in the 2018 Depreciation Rate Study to more properly align the Company's recovery of its invested capital with the useful life of its underlying plant assets. The Petition was filed pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. Section 58-27-140.

A copy of the company's Petition can be found on the Commission's website at [www.psc.sc.gov](http://www.psc.sc.gov) under Docket No. 2019-191-G. Additionally, a copy of the Petition is available from the corporate office of Jasmine K. Gardner, Esquire, James H. Jeffries, IV, Esquire, McGuireWoods LLP, 201 North Tryon Street, Suite 3000, Charlotte, North Carolina 28202.

Any person who wishes to participate in this matter as a party of record, should file a Petition to Intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure on or before **July 23, 2019**, by filing the Petition to Intervene with the Commission, by providing a copy to the Office of Regulatory Staff and by providing a copy to all parties of record. For the receipt of future Commission correspondence, please include an email address in the Petition to Intervene. ***Please refer to Docket No. 2019-191-G and mail a copy to all other parties in this docket.*** Any person who seeks to intervene and who wishes to testify and present evidence at the hearing, if scheduled, should notify, in writing, the Commission; the Office of Regulatory Staff at 1401 Main Street, Suite 900, Columbia, South Carolina 29201; and the company at the above address, on or before **July 23, 2019**. ***Please refer to Docket No. 2019-191-G.***

A public hearing, if scheduled, will be held in Columbia, South Carolina in the offices of the Commission located at 101 Executive Center Drive, Suite 100, Columbia, South Carolina 29210, for the purpose of receiving testimony and other evidence from all interested parties regarding this Petition. The time and date of this hearing will be furnished to all interested parties at a later date.

For the most recent information regarding this docket, including changes in scheduled dates included in this Notice, please refer to [www.psc.sc.gov](http://www.psc.sc.gov) and ***Docket No. 2019-191-G.***

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